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MANUFACTURING A STAMP, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A
PATTERNEDE LAYER ON A SUBSTRATE

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In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2002,

Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 4 and 8-10 without prejudice and amend Claims 1, 5, and 6 shown in marked-up form in Appendix A and in clean form as follows:

1. (Amended) A stamp (10) for use in a lithographic process, which stamp (10) comprises a stamp body (5) with a printing face (3), said stamp body (5) having a first recess (11) with an aperture (15) in the printing face (3), wherein the first recess (11) becomes narrower as its distance to the printing face (3) increases, and

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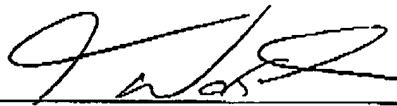
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